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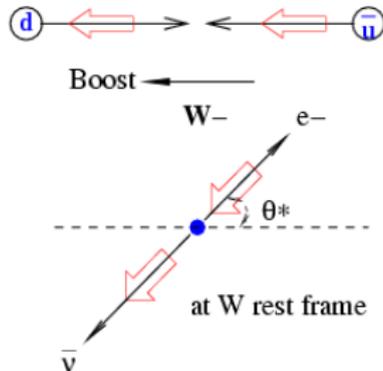
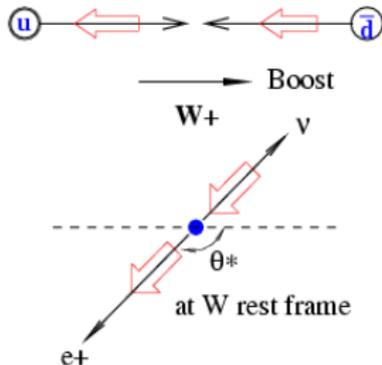


# $W^\pm$ production and decay

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- Up quarks carry more momentum than down quarks
  - $W^+$  will head in the  $p$  direction
  - $W^-$  will head in the  $\bar{p}$  direction

Differences between the u- and d-quark PDFs will result in different asymmetries in the W boson rapidity distribution.

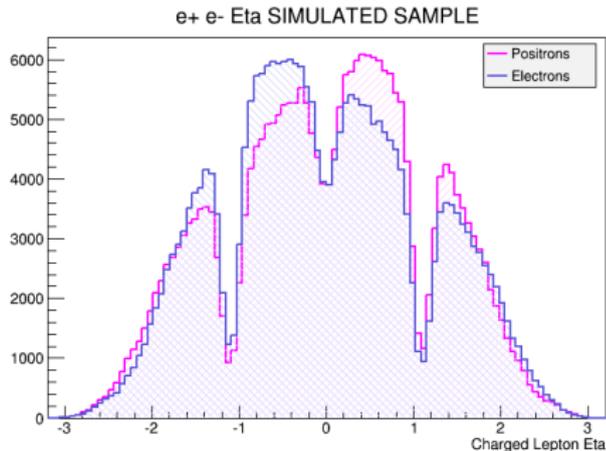


# W asymmetry

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- Because of V-A decay angular distribution of charged lepton is  $F(\theta^*)_{l\pm} = (1 \pm \cos \theta^*)^2$
- What we can measure is charged lepton  $\eta$  (pseudorapidity)  
$$\eta = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(\tan \frac{\theta}{2})$$
- Asymmetry definition:  $Asy^{obs}(\eta_e) = \frac{N_e^+ - N_e^-}{N_e^+ + N_e^-} \rightarrow$  contains informations on  $u(x)/d(x)$ !

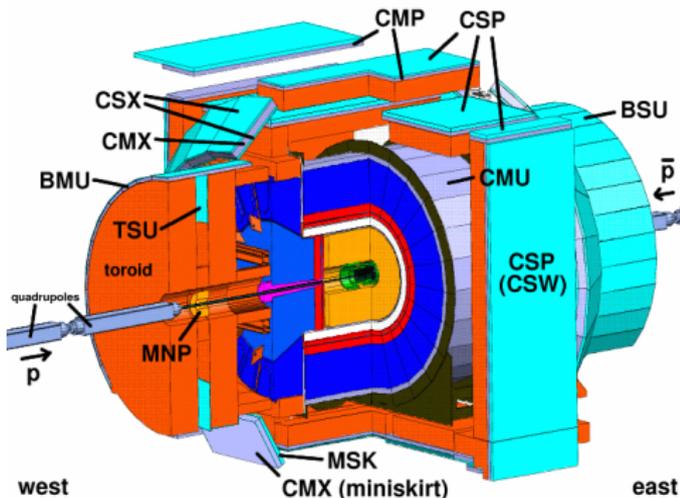


# CDF Detector

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General structure of detector is that of collider detectors

- Tracker in magnetic field: COT and SVX
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter
- Hadronic Calorimeter
- Muons detector

Electromagnetic calorimeter is in both central and plug region so it has high  $\eta$  coverage.

That's why we use  $W \rightarrow e\nu$ !



# Why is an interesting measurement?

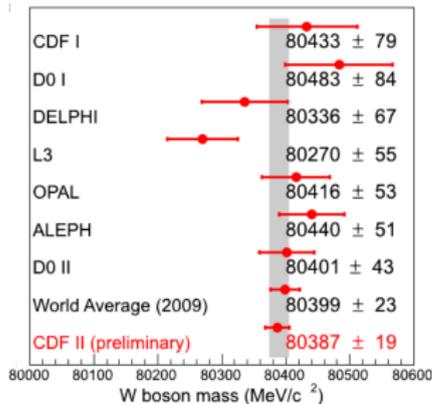
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- Charged lepton asymmetry is a convolution of W asymmetry production and W's V-A decay.
- Without assumptions on neutrino's  $p_L$  (necessary in  $y_W$  measurement) uncertainty on PDFs is smaller.
- Improvement in PDF uncertainties will reduce total error on W mass!

$$M_W = 80387 \pm 19 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

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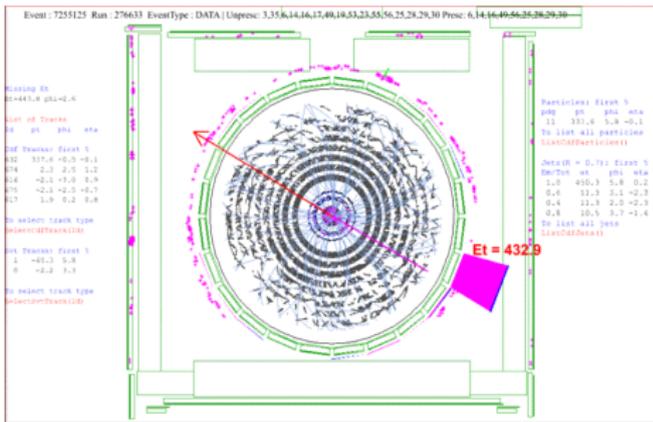
# $W \rightarrow e\nu$ (SIGNAL)

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In general the process we study is  $W \rightarrow e\nu + X$

- Experimental signature of  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  event is high electron/positron  $E_T$  associated at high  $\cancel{E}_T$  (Missing Transverse Energy)  $\rightarrow$  **LO**;
- At **NLO** one of incoming parton can emit gluons and generate jets;
- Electromagnetic shower in electromagnetic calorimeter has to match at the best with  $p_T$  track revealed by COT central tracker;
- In x-y charged lepton and  $\cancel{E}_T$  tend to be back to back(**LO**).
- **Very hard to reconstruct because of neutrino!**





# $W \rightarrow e\nu$ (BACKGROUND)

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Many processes can simulate a  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  decay.

- QCD: fake electron in hadron jets comes from  $e^+e^-$  pairs, heavy quark decay (bottom or charm) and hadron that fakes electron ( $\pi^\pm$ ).  
Hard to simulate  $\implies$  **MOST DIFFICULT!**
- $Z \rightarrow ee$  in which one of two electrons is miss reconstructed or goes in dead regions of detector **OK**
- $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$  (small) where  $\tau \rightarrow e\nu_e\nu_\tau$  **OK**
- $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  (small) where one  $\tau$  decays in hadrons and the other in leptons can fake a signal event with a jet **OK**



# Selection of $W$ candidates

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## ■ General selection criteria

- Electron  $E_t > 25$  GeV
- Electron must have an associated charge particle track
- $MET > 25$  GeV (for the undetected neutrino)
- Only one electron candidate in the event (removes Z's)

## ■ Central detector region specific selections

- Data from central single electron dataset with  $E_t > 18$  GeV
- Default high purity electron and track selections applied
- $E_{iso4}/E_t < 0.1$ : W decay electrons are typically isolated from event jet activity

## ■ Forward plug region specific selections

- Data is from two data sets
- Single forward electron with  $E_t > 20$  GeV (PEM20)
- Single electron with  $MET > 15$  GeV ( $MET15\_PEM20$ )
- The PEM20 online trigger rate is too large for all events to be written out only 1 in 25 are written
- $E_{iso4} < 4$  GeV

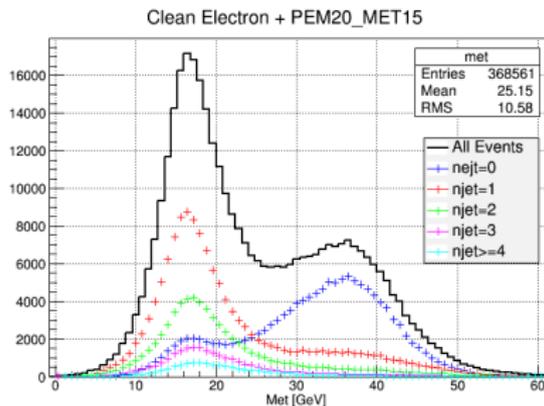
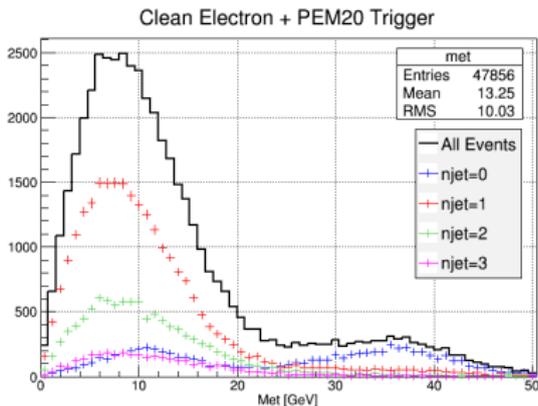


# Summary of data sample with the default selections

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- Central electron selections give a relatively background free W sample
- Plug electron selections have a problem: large backgrounds in the lower  $\cancel{E}_T$  region
- We have found that plug tracks are mostly junk and additional track cleanup is required



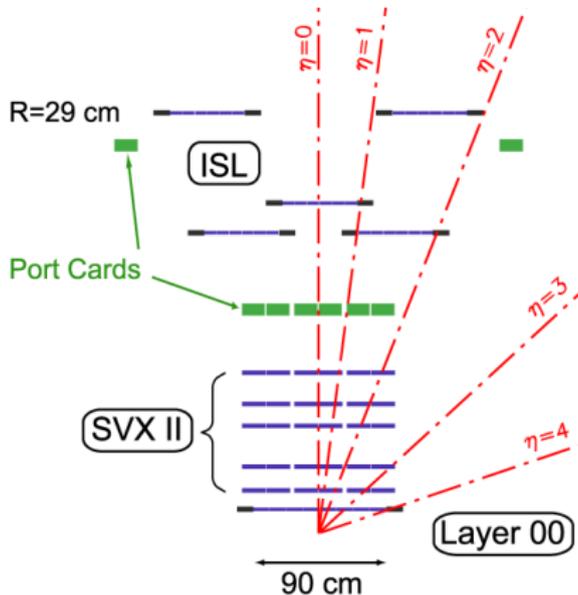


# Forward tracking of the plug region

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- Electrons going into the forward plug region have limited acceptance in the COT central tracker
- Forward tracking utilizes the  $p\bar{p}$  collision vertex, the silicon vertex detector, and the plug shower maximum position detector (PES) for tracking space points
- Forward tracks are required to pass through 3-8 layers of silicon vertex detector sensors



# Plug track quality selection

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Track quality parameters:

- Number of silicon layers the track traverses (*nsilfid*)
- Number of nhits found for the track (*nhits*)
- Track fit  $\chi^2$ /number of nhits

<i>nsilfid</i> →	3	4	5	6	7	8
<i>nhits</i> = 3	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
<i>nhits</i> = 4	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
<i>nhits</i> = 5	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
<i>nhits</i> = 6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
<i>nhits</i> = 7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
<i>nhits</i> ≥ 8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

- The matrix of is used to assess
  - what to reject, and
  - what to keep and clean-up with  $\chi^2$ /number of nhits cuts
- Benchmarks distributions
  - *el\_Pem3x3*  $\chi^2$  → Plug 3x3 tower EM shower shape fit  $\chi^2$
  - MET distribution

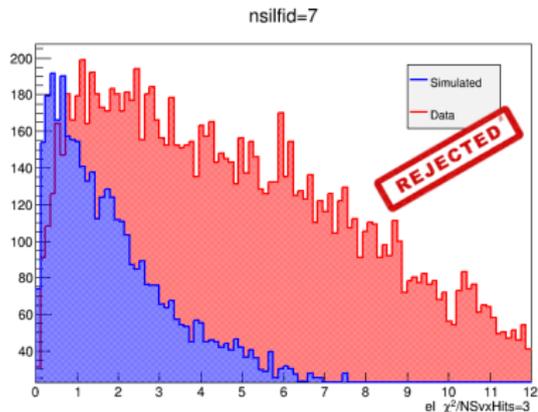
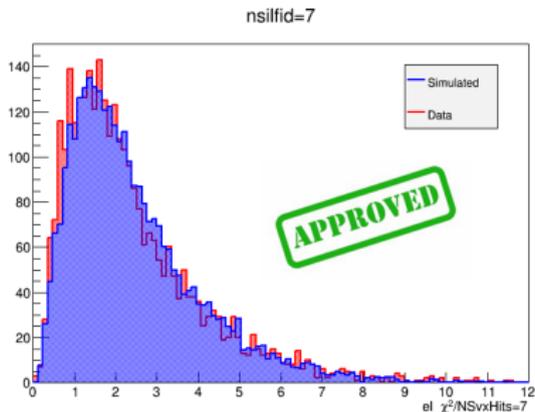
Only events with electrons that satisfy  $nhits \geq nsilfid$  AND  $nhits \neq 3$  pass selections. For each of them  $\chi^2$ /number of nhits has to be  $\leq 10$



# Example of matrix elements

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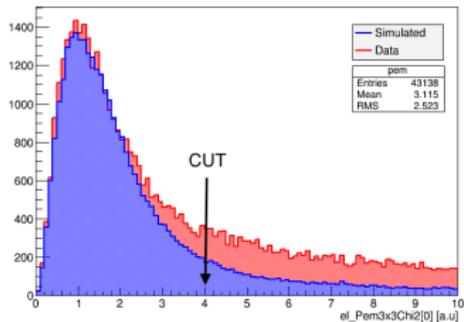
As shown in these two examples good quality tracks have a "flat"  $\chi^2/dof$  distribution if  $n_{hits} \leq layers$ .  
This is the effect of junk tracks.



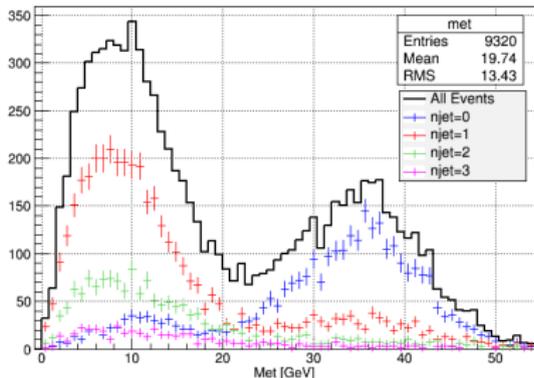
# Benchmark distribution and final cut

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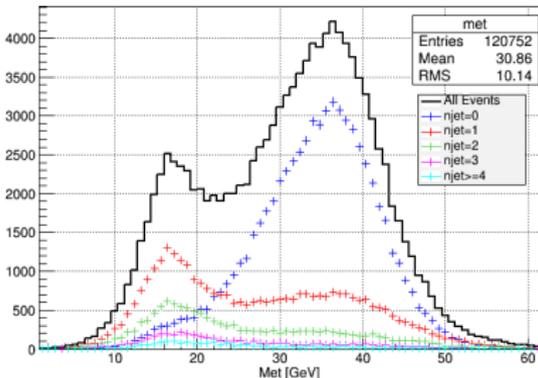
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Clean Electron + PEM20 + Good Quality Track



Clean Electron + PEM20\_MET15 + Good Quality Tracks

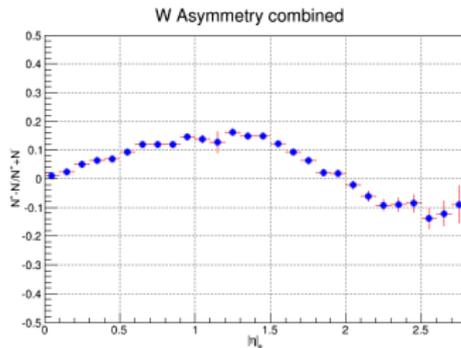
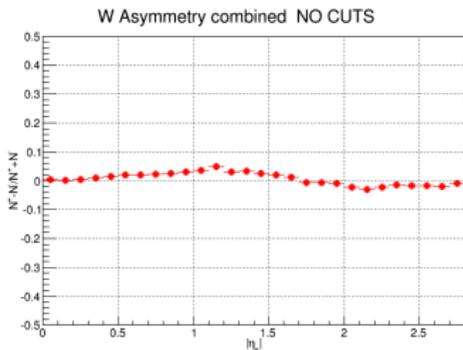
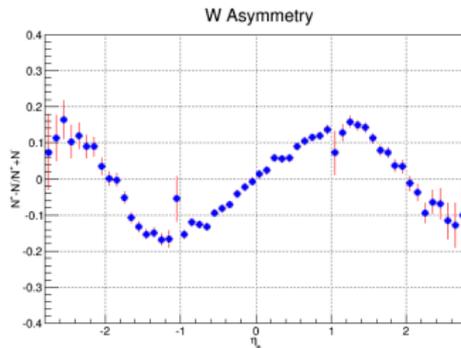
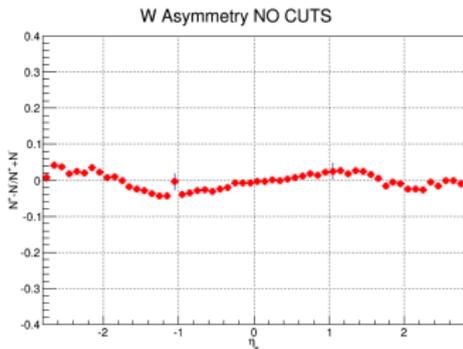




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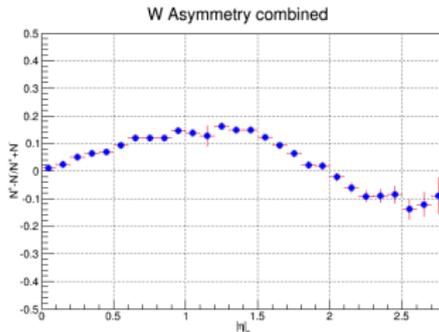
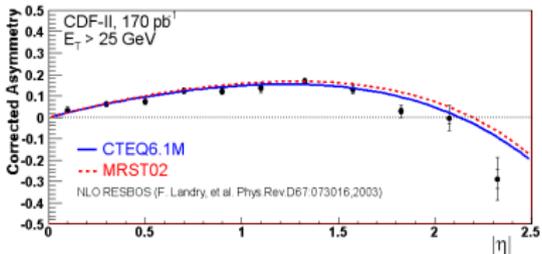
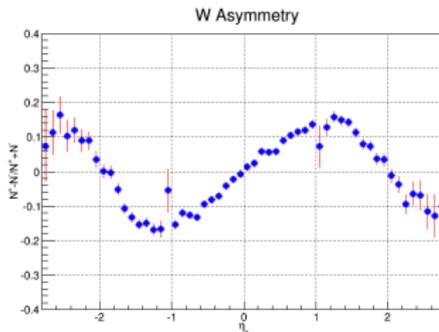
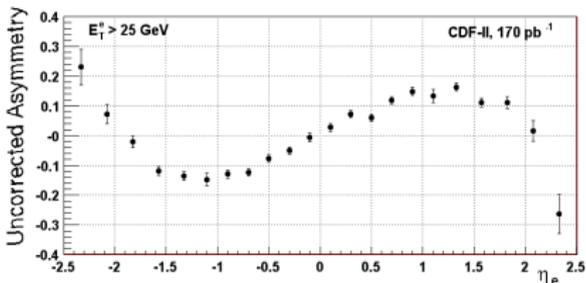
# Low Instantaneous Luminosity VS High Luminosity

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These plots don't include:

- background subtraction (the MET plots give the qualitative level)
- charge misidentification





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- We studied all possible background of  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  channel and focused on the bigger one: QCD background
- We checked that central region data are really good and they don't need special studies.
- Plug region events had a large amount of background in the lower  $\cancel{E}_T$  region.
- Quality track studies before  $Met \geq 25$  GeV cut
- Raw Asymmetry at High Luminosity seems to fit with Low Instantaneous Luminosity measurement.

**We succeeded!**



# BACKUP: Charge Misidentification 1

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Bend Plane  $r\Delta\phi$

Figure: Measured

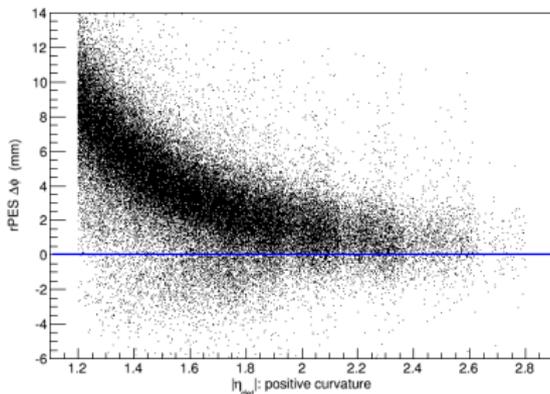
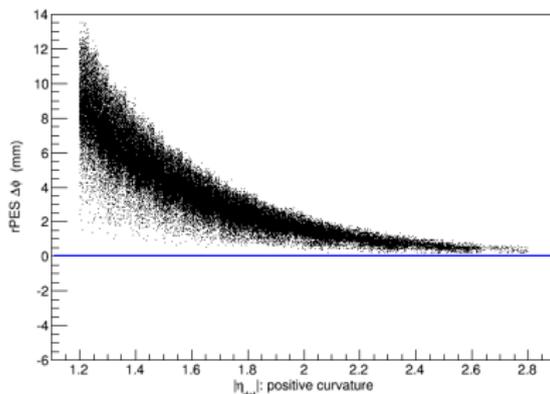


Figure: Prediction from track helix





# BACKUP: Charge Misidentification 2

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Figure:  $\Delta\phi$  between measured and predicted  $\phi$  at PES exit radius

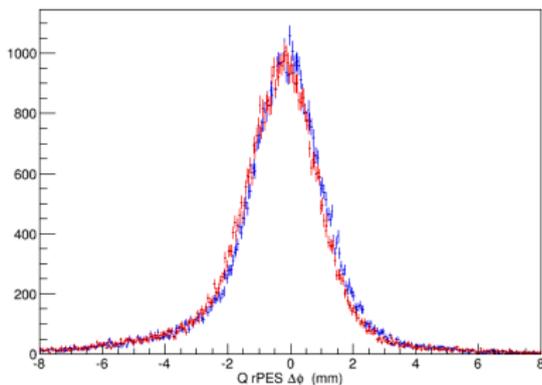


Figure: Q rPES  $\Delta\phi$  vs the PES  $\phi$

